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TAGS: MASS, EC, KS, US

SUBJECT: POTENTIAL ROK THIRD PARTY TRANSFER

REF: (A) STATE 108341; (B) STATE 87362

- 1. UPON RECEIPF OF REF (A) EMBASSY PROCEEDED TO ASCERTAIN INFORMALLY STATUS OF ROK TRANSFER OF M557 FUSES TO ECUADOR WITH APPROPRIATE ECUADOREAN ARMY AND MINISTRY OF DEFENSE OFFICIALS. WHEN INFORMAL APPROCAHES PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESPONSES, EMBASSY DIRECTED A LETTER TO THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE REQUESTING A FORMAL CLARIFICATION. EMBASSY HAS NOW RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE SUBSECRETARY OF DEFENSE DATED MAY 30 INDICATING THAT NONE OF THE ECUADOREAN SERVICES HAVE SOUGHT THE TRANSFER OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT FROM THE ROK.
- 2. IN LIGHT OF THE ABOVE, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT THE DEPARTMENT NOT, REPEAT NOT, AUTHORIZE THE FUZE TRANSFER. CORR

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